

**PATENT** 

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Compensating for Random Robbed Bit Signaling

## **DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.132**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

- 1. I am an applicant of the above-identified patent application ("present application") and an inventor of the subject matter described and claimed therein.
- 2. I am also an inventor of the subject matter described and claimed in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/337,687, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,185,250 ("the '250 patent").
- 3. I conceived and invented the subject matter disclosed in the '250 patent that pertains to processing of signals in a network employing robbed bit signaling and is relied on by the Examiner in the rejection of claims 9, 11-14, and 18-20 of the present application. In particular, I conceived and invented the subject matter shown in Figs. 7-10 of the '250 patent and described therein in col. 7, line 16, through col. 8, line 5.

I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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